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kindness if people are not compelled to use this land for their manurial needs. I would suggest in addition, that the area be cleanly hedged in with milk hedge and be plotted out in plots of 10′ × 10′ each and leased on a hire of about As. 4 per plot per year. The income will make a welcome addition to the Union finances.

" The filling in of these manure pits is a sanitary necessity if the place is not to dwindle down to extinction in the course of time. Expenditure on this head will be far more paying than the construction of markets in the present health conditions of the Union. I suggest that prickly-pear bushes be cut and sundried and used as filling in material, over which half a foot of mud be spread on the top.

9. " The fort moat is another insanitary feature which has to be attended to by connecting up the different pits by drains and making a way for the collected water to flow away into the irrigation lake on the southern side."

GUINEA-WORM.

10. The main drinking water-supply for the village is the lake and the irrigation channel. There are two step-wells on the south-eastern side which are also used by the people of that locality. These are fruitful sources of guinea-worm. There is also one step-well in use by the Madigas on the north-eastern side which is similarly giving rise to guinea-worm.

Conversion of the former two step-wells into draw wells has been recommended in all the previous inspection notes. The question of converting the Madiga step-well has been mooted as an urgent matter this year. These measures have so far not been taken in hand.

APPENDIX VI.

[Vide answer to question No. 1111 asked by Mr. J. A. Saldanha at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 29th January 1929, page 198 supra.]

(1)

G.O. Mis. No. 297, Financial, dated 26th March 1920.

The Government sanction the payment to the South Indian Health and Welfare Association of a grant of Rs. 25,000 during the year 1919–20. The Accountant-General is requested to place the amount at the disposal of the Secretary of the Association at an early date.

2. An additional allotment of Rs. 25,000 is sanctioned under the head '32. Miscellaneous' from the reserve at the disposal of the Financial Department.

(By order of the Governor in Council)

R. A. GRAHAM,
Chief Secretary to Government.

To the Accountant-General.
,, Secretary, South Indian Health and Welfare Association.
Copy to the Local and Municipal (Medical) Department.
,, Public Works Department.

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(2)

G.O. Mis. No. 25, P.H., dated 4th January 1924.

READ—the following papers :—

From the Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras, dated 5th November 1923, No. 1995-G/23.

From the President, National Baby Week Committee, dated 26th November 1923.

From the Honorary Secretary, Madras Health Council, dated 28th November 1923, No. 2624–1, P.H.

Order—Mis. No. 25, *P.H., dated 4th January* 1924.

The Government sanction a grant of Rs. 3,000 to the Madras Health Council for expenditure in connexion with the 'Health Week' and 'National Baby Week' in January 1924. The amount will be met from the anticipated savings under '33. A. Public Health — Public Health Establishment' in the Civil Budget Estimate for 1923–24.

2. The Accountant-General is requested to disburse the amount immediately.

(By order of the Government, Ministry of Local Self-Government)

B. RAMA RAO,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Honorary Secretary, Madras Health Council, No. 81, Mount Road, Madras.
,, Accountant-General.
,, Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras.
,, Director of Public Health.
,, Finance Department.

(3)

G.O. Mis. No. 1848, P.H., dated 11th December 1924.

READ—the following papers :—

From the Director of Public Health, dated 7th October 1924, R. No. 1960–1, P.H.

From the Director of Public Health, dated 22nd October 1928, R. No. 200–1-A.

Order—Mis. No. 1848, *P.H., dated* 11*th December* 1924.

The Government are pleased to sanction a grant of Rs. 3,000 to the Madras Health Council for expenditure in connexion with the celebration of the 'National Health' and 'Baby Week' in January 1925.

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2. The expenditure will be met by reappropriation as shown in the statement annexed.

3. The Accountant-General is requested to place the amount at the disposal of the Madras Health Council at an early date.

(By order of the Government, Ministry of Public Health)

V. PANDRANG ROW,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Health.
,, Surgeon-General.
,, Finance Department.
,, Accountant-General, through Finance Department.
,, Honorary Secretary, Madras Health Council, Victoria Buildings, Egmore.

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ANNEXURE.

Form of Proceedings sanctioning reappropriation of Funds.

Public Health Department or office.

Major, minor and sub-heads and unit of appropriation primary and secondary.	Allotment and progress of expenditure.				Reasons justifying proposals.	Orders of sanctioning authority.
	Amounts as in the sanctioned estimate.	Actual expenditure up to date.	Probable expenditure during remainder of the year.	Amount of additional allotment required or available for re-appropriation.		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.		
Heads of estimate proposed to be increased— 33. B. Public Health—Grants for Public Health purposes—Miscellaneous items ..	Nil.	Nil.	3,000	3,000	..	..
Heads of estimate proposed to be reduced— 33. C. Public Health—Expenses in connexion with bubonic plague—Contingencies	33,750 *	30,750	..	3,000	..	..

* Excludes Rs. 250 reappropriated in G.O. Mis. No. 1429, P.H., dated 10th October 1924.

(4)

G.O. No. 930, P.H., dated 4th May 1925.

READ—the following papers :—

Official Memorandum to the Director of Public Health, dated 19th November 1924, No. 31622-1, P.H.

From the Director of Public Health, dated 1st December 1924, No. 1960-4, P.H.

From the Director of Public Health, dated 19th December 1924, R. No. 1960-5, P.H.

From the Director of Public Health, dated 3rd March 1925, R. No. 1960-6, P.H.

Order—No. 930, *P.H., dated 4th May* 1925.

The Government are pleased to sanction a recurring contribution of Rs. 8,000 per annum from 1925–26 towards the funds of the Madras Health Council to enable the Council to do health propaganda work in the Presidency. Out of the above contribution a sum of Rs. 3,000 is earmarked for the preparation of materials for the celebration of the National Health and Baby Week.

2. The balance of Rs. 5,000 will now be placed at the disposal of the Health Council.

3. The expenditure will be met from the provision in the Budget Estimate for 1925–26 under 33. B. Public Health—Grants for Public Health purposes—ii. Grants and Contributions—Grants to the Madras Health Council. The Accountant-General is requested to disburse Rs. 5,000 at an early date.

4. The Director of Public Health is informed that no additional contribution to the Health Council can be sanctioned at present.

(By order of the Government, Ministry of Local Self-Government)

V. PANDRANG ROW,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Health.
,, Surgeon-General.
,, Finance Department.
,, Accountant-General, through Finance.
,, Honorary Secretary, Madras Health Council, Victoria Buildings, Egmore.
,, Inspector of Municipal Councils and Local Boards.

(5)

G.O. Mis. No. 1607, P.H., dated 5th August 1925.

READ—the following paper :—

From the Director of Public Health, dated 18th July 1925, R. No. 1960-9, P.H.

Order—Mis. No. 1607, *P.H., dated 5th August* 1925.

The Government are pleased to sanction a contribution of Rs. 3,000 to the Madras Health Council towards the expenditure proposed to be incurred in connexion with the celebration of the National Health and Baby Week in 1926.

2. The expenditure will be met from the provision in the Budget Estimate for 1925–26 under '33. B. Public Health—Grants for Public Health purposes—Grants to the Madras Health Council.'

The Accountant-General is requested to disburse the amount at an early date.

(By order of the Government, Ministry of Local Self-Government)

V. Pandrang Row,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Health.
,, Secretary, Madras Health Council, Victoria Buildings, Egmore.
,, Finance Department.
,, Accountant-General, through the Finance Department.

(6)

G.O. Mis. No. 457, P.H., dated 18th March 1926.

Read—the following papers :—

I

G.O. No. 930, P.H., dated 4th May 1925.

II

Letter from Sir A. M. MacDougall, *Kt.*, Chairman, Madras Health Council, Madras, to the Secretary to Government, Local Self-Government (Public Health) Department, dated 15th February 1926.

I have the honour to place the following facts before the Government for favour of consideration :—

As Government is aware, the Madras Health Council is practically the sole agency in the Presidency for the preparation and distribution of health propaganda materials and all its literature has to be prepared in five or six vernaculars.

The Council's total income for the year is Rs. 10,500 made up of a Government grant of Rs. 8,000 and a reduced donation of Rs. 2,500 from the Indian Red Cross Society. Last year its total budget amounted to very little more and the Council in fact has constantly had considerable difficulty in making both ends meet.

The Government is aware from the special reports made by the Director of Public Health that the National Health and Baby Week movement has roused ever increasing enthusiasm both in towns and rural areas. The successful celebrations of the last two years have been a great stimulus to local bodies and their activities during the week which has just been held have been greatly increased; as a result enormous demands were made on the Health Council for all the propaganda materials—posters, pamphlets, lanterns and slides—and it was impossible to ignore these without prejudice to the success of the celebrations. In many instances, however, it was possible to comply only in part with the hundreds of requisitions received although hundreds of thousands of leaflets and pamphlets were printed. Even so and notwithstanding the fact that the Health Week has been postponed in seven districts on account of the prevalence of cholera, the Madras Health Council has been compelled to exceed its resources by about Rs. 5,000. At the

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present moment, therefore, it has been obliged to suspend its activities completely and is unable to comply with the indents now being received, owing to the exhaustion of its stocks. In order to wipe off this deficit and to meet further expenditure required for the preparation of materials for the districts which have yet to celebrate Health and Baby Week, I have to request that Government will be pleased to sanction a supplementary grant of at least Rs. 5,000 as early as possible. The Council's work is of such importance to the people of this Presidency that it feels it will not make this appeal in vain.

III

Endorsement of the Director of Public Health, dated 22nd February 1926, R. No. 103-1-V.S.

Forwarded.

2. I have pleasure in endorsing every word of Sir Alexander MacDougall's letter. The work done by the Madras Health Council has been of the greatest value to the Public Health Department and it would be in every way deplorable if its activities were suspended. As it is, I am unable to provide the necessary materials for seven districts which still have to conduct Health and Baby Week. I would therefore strongly recommend to Government that the additional allotment of Rs. 5,000 asked for be sanctioned at a very early date. I may add that this amount is available by reappropriation from by budget head '33. A. Public Health—Mufassal establishments—Pay of Officers—Voted.'

Order—Mis. No. 457, *P.H., dated* 18*th March* 1926.

In the circumstances stated by the Chairman of the Madras Health Council and the Director of Public Health, the Government as a special case sanction an additional grant of Rs. 5,000 to the Health Council during 1925–26.

2. The Director of Public Health reports that the expenditure on this account which falls under '33. B. Public Health—Grants for Public Health purposes—Grants and Contributions' can be met by reappropriation from '33. A. Public Health Establishments—Establishment—Mufassal—Pay of Officers—Voted.' He is requested to submit through the Accountant-General immediately, and in any case not later than the 23rd of March 1926, a formal reappropriation statement for the sanction of the Government. Pending the receipt of this statement the Accountant-General is requested to place the amount of the grant at the disposal of the Madras Health Council at once.

3. The Health Council is informed that if it should again allow its expenditure to exceed its resources it will have to extricate itself from its financial difficulties without the expectation of any assistance from the Government.

(By order of the Government, Ministry of Local Self-Government)

H. R. Uzielli,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Health.
,, Finance Department.
,, Accountant-General, through the Finance Department.
,, Chairman, Madras Health Council.
,, Inspector of Municipal Councils and Local Boards.